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Application No.	Applicant(s)	_
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THE	REPLY FILED	08 August 2	2005 FAILS TO	PLACE THIS	APPLICATIO	ON IN CONDIT	TION FOR ALLC	WANCE.	
1.	The reply was	filed after a	final rejection.	but prior to or	on the same	day as filing a	Notice of Appe	al. To avoid	ab

- this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:
  - The period for reply expires <u>3</u> months from the mailing date of the final rejection.

MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

## NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. L	The Notice of Appeal was filed on	<ul> <li>A brief in compliance</li> </ul>	with 37 CFR 41.37	must be filed within two	months of the date
	of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 4	1.37(a)), or any extension	n thereof (37 CFR 4	11.37(e)), to avoid dismi	ssal of the appeal.
	Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed	, any reply must be filed	within the time perio	od set forth in 37 CFR 4	1.37(a).
٩ME	NDMENTS				

- 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because (a) They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); (b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below); (c) They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for
  - appeal; and/or (d) They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: . (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

- 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
- 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):
- 6. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
- 7. X For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) \(\subseteq\) will not be entered, or b) \(\sigma\) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to:

Claim(s) rejected: 1,2,4-20,31,38-41 and 43-48.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: \_\_\_\_\_.

## AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

- 8. The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
- 9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
- 10. The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

- 11. 🛛 The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
- 12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper No(s).
- 13. Other: .

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Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The applicant argued that the secret sharing scheme disclosed by Shamir actually requires the first or second entity computing the secret to simultaneously know both D1 and D2. This is not found persuasive. Shamir teaches a system of calculating D incrementally using the function q(x). Therefore each of the members caclulates their portion of D by caclulating the result of the function q(x). Shamir discloses that each candidate can calculate one and only one polynomial (page 613 column 1 section 2 lines 24-31).

New claim 48 is rejected in that D is calculated from the incremented calculation of the funtion Q(x).

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